



Pediatric Dentistry **Gainesville**

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Program Description

This 24-month certificate program is designed to prepare dentists for the diverse specialty practice of pediatric dentistry and to qualify them for certification by the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. Didactic instruction and clinical training develop skills necessary to comprehensive care for the dental needs of both the normal child and the child with physical, mental and emotional needs.

The program is based at the College of Dentistry and Shands Hospital in Gainesville. The didactic curriculum includes courses on growth and development, pediatric dental medicine, physical diagnosis, practice management, sedation, orthodontics, oral biology, oral pathology, and biostatistics.

Residents also participate in seminars on scientific writing, radiology, research methodology, treatment planning for comprehensive care, and pediatric dentistry literature.

The clinical curriculum includes experience in comprehensive preventive and restorative care, hospital-based dental care in an operating room setting, sedation and monitoring in the office setting, treatment of patients with oral facial anomalies, diagnosis and treatment of developing malocclusion, and emergency dental care. Consultation and dental care are provided to patients referred from Pediatric Cardiology, Hematology/Oncology, and Sickle cell Disease Clinics and from the Bone Marrow Transplantation Unit. Residents participate in a four-week rotation in anesthesiology. A clinical or laboratory research project is required, and a limited teaching commitment is required in the second year of the program.

A stipend in the amount of \$35,000 is provided. No tuition is required.

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